

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 USUN N 01101 050030Z

63

ACTION IO-10

INFO OCT-01 EA-10 ISO-00 AF-06 ARA-10 EUR-12 NEA-09

CIAE-00 DODE-00 NSAE-00 NSCE-00 SSO-00 USIE-00 INRE-00

PM-03 H-02 INR-07 L-02 NSC-05 PA-02 PRS-01 SP-02

SS-15 SR-02 ORM-01 /100 W
----- 127638

O 042358Z APR 75

FM USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9786

INFO AMEMBASSY SAIGON IMMEDIATE

USMISSION GENEVA IMMEDIATE

UNCLAS USUN 1101

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, UN, SREF, EAID, VS, VN

SUBJECT: UN PRESS SPOKESMAN'S COMMENTS ON VIETNAM APR 4

REF: USUN 1082

1. AT NOON PRESS BRIEFING APR 4 UN PRESS SPOKESMAN SAID THAT NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE APR 3 QUOTING WALDHEIM ON VIETNAM HUMANITARIAN EFFORT "WAS NOT STRICTLY ACCURATE," AND THAT QUOTE IT SHOULD HAVE READ: "THERE IS A WAR GOING ON. AND ONE SIDE HAS OCCUPIED A PART OF THE TERRITORY AND DOES NOT WANT TO COOPERATE AND THIS CREATES A POLITICAL PROBLEM. IT IS NOT IN THE INTEREST OF THE HUMANITARIAN WORK OF THE UN IN THE AREA FOR THE UN TO GET INVOLVED IN THIS POLITICAL ASPECT." ASKED WHEN WALDHEIM LEARNED PRG WOULD NOT COOPERATE, POWELL SAID APR 3 WALDHEIM RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM HANOI THROUGH THE NORTH VIETNAMESE EMBASSY IN PARIS AND WAS TOLD BY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER OF REFUGEES WHO CONTACTED PRG APR 1 THAT PRG WOULD NOT RESPOND TO AN APPEAL FOR EVACUATION OF DISPLACED PERSONS.

2. POWELL ALSO STATED THAT PRG HAD MADE REQUEST TO UNICEF FOR EMERGENCY AID FOR SIX MILLION PEOPLE (TWO MILLION CHILDREN) TO
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 USUN N 01101 050030Z

INCLUDE ONE MILLION METERS OF CLOTH FOR CHILDREN'S GARMENTS,

DRUGS AND FORTIFIERS (DIET SUPPLEMENTS AND VITAMINS). REPS OF UNICEF AND UNHCR CURRENTLY DISCUSSING THIS REQUEST WITH PRG REPS IN HANOI.

3. POWELL ADDED THAT BOTH BRITISH AND SWEDES HAVE ANNOUNCED CONTRIBUTIONS TO UN HUMANITARIAN RELIEF PROGRAM, BUT HAVE NOT RELAYED THESE TO UN HEADQUARTERS OFFICIALLY YET. HE SAID WALDHEIM CONTINUES TALKS WITH HIS STAFF IN ROME ON SPEEDING UP UN HUMANITARIAN EFFORT IN VIETNAM WITH ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL.

4. ASKED ABOUT WALDHEIM'S REACTION TO FORD'S STATEMENT APR 3 IN HIS NEWS CONFERENCE APPEALING TO UN TO HELP INNOCENT PEOPLE TO LEAVE AND GO TO AREAS OF THEIR CHOICE, POWELL REPLIED "WE HAVE BEEN OVER THAT." PRESSED FURTHER, POWELL NOTED THAT AMB SCALI HAD VISITED WALDHEIM ON TUESDAY APR 1 AND SYG HAD EXPLAINED TO SCALI SITUATION AS HE SAW IT.
SCALI

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: REFUGEE RELIEF, PRESS CONFERENCES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 04 APR 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975USUNN01101
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750117-1108
From: USUN NEW YORK
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750478/aaaactvs.tel
Line Count: 78
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION IO
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 USUN 1082
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ShawDG
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 27 JUN 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <27 JUN 2003 by maginmm>; APPROVED <12 JAN 2004 by ShawDG>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: UN PRESS SPOKESMAN'S COMMENTS ON VIETNAM APR 4
TAGS: PFOR, SREF, EAID, VS, VN, UN, NEW YORK TIMES, (WALDHEIM, KURT)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006